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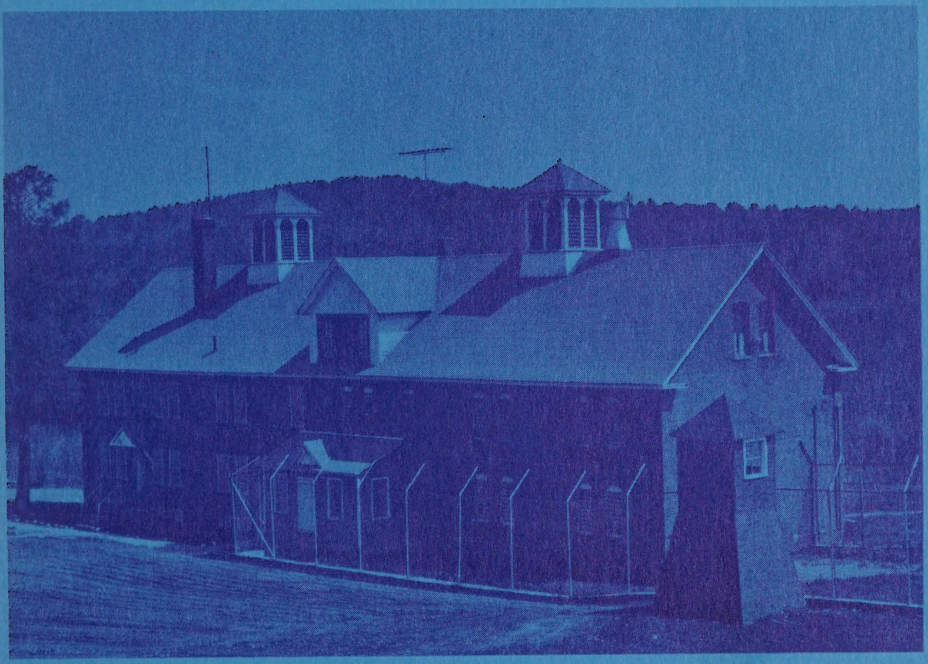

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MERRIMACK COUNTY

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Clerk of Court, Sheriff, County Attorney,
Nursing Home Administrator,
Corrections Superintendent,
Farm, Physician, Chaplains and Auditors

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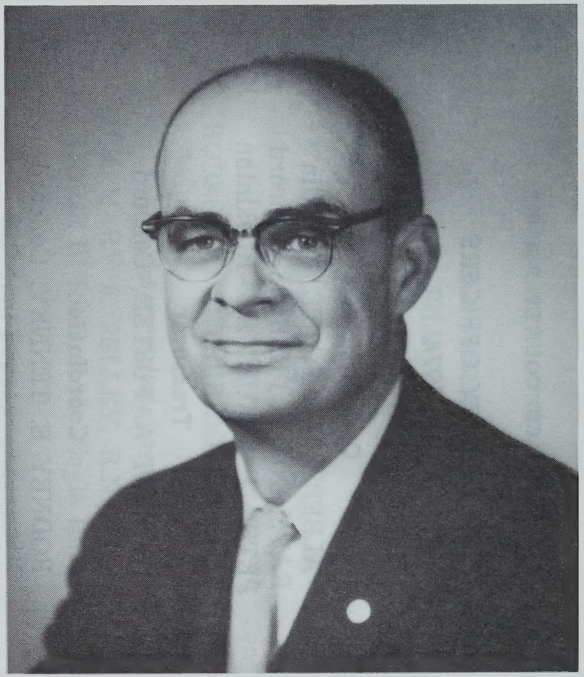
Dedicated to

Raymond K. Perkins, Commissioner
January 1, 1963 — December 31, 1974



Robert A. Foster, Treasurer
January 1, 1965 — December 31, 1974

In recognition of their service to Merrimack County

COUNTY OFFICERS
1974

Commissioners
ALBERT M. AYOTTE, Franklin
RAYMOND K. PERKINS, Concord
PETER J. SPAULDING, Hopkinton

Treasurer
ROBERT A. FOSTER, Concord

Coordinator
RODNEY E. TENNEY, Concord

County Attorney
RICHARD A. HAMPE, Hopkinton

Sheriff
RONALD D. DANIELS, JR., Hopkinton

Clerk of Superior Court
HENRY DOWST, JR., Epsom

Judge of Probate
HON. DONALD W. CUSHING, Franklin

Register of Probate
CAROL E. INGRAHAM, Concord

Register of Deeds
KATHLEEN M. ROY GUAY, Concord

Auditors
ROBERT D. BRANCH, Concord
FREDERIC T. GREENHALGE, Dunbarton

Medical Referees

PAUL S. SHAW, M.D., Concord
ROBERT J. MORIN, M.D., Franklin

Merrimack County Home

Administrator

ROBERT F. LETHBRIDGE, Boscawen

Assistant Administrator

MRS. MARY E. JELLEY, R.N., Concord
MRS. MARJORIE BURRIS, R.N., (Eagle Home), Concord

Assistant Superintendent

SIDNEY L. TIBBETTS, Boscawen
WALTER R. LAMPRON, Boscawen

Home Physician

J. KENNETH McLEOD, M.D., Penacook

Assistant Physicians

PAUL S. SHAW, M.D., Concord
ROBERT J. MORIN, M.D., Franklin

Corrections Superintendent

EDMUND COX, Concord

Chaplains

REV. JOHN E. PITTS, Franklin
REV. MARK H. SCHIPUL, Boscawen
REV. PAUL LYONS, Northfield

MERRIMACK COUNTY DELEGATION 1974

Dist. No. 1 (DANBURY, HILL, NEW LONDON, WILMOT)
William F. Kidder
Arthur E. Thompson

Dist. No. 2 (BRADFORD, NEWBURY, SUTTON)
Kenneth L. Sherman

Dist. No. 3 (HENNIKER, WARNER)
L. Waldo Bigelow, Jr.
John P. H. Chandler, Jr.

Dist. No. 4 (HOPKINTON, WEBSTER)
Donald P. Jones, Sr.
Harry C. Parker

Dist. No. 5 (BOW, DUNBARTON)
Joseph H. Deoss
Richard D. Hanson

Dist. No. 6 (HOOKSETT)
Laurent J. Boucher
Edward H. Enright
Edith S. Rice

Dist. No. 7 (ALLENSTOWN, PEMBROKE)
Ovila Gamache
John B. Goff
George E. Gordon, III
Robert E. Plourde

Dist. No. 8 (EPSOM, PITTSFIELD)
Clarence E. Bartlett
John H. Perkins, Jr.

Dist. No. 9 (CANTERBURY, CHICHESTER, LOUDON)
Kathryn M. Cushman
George D. Kopperl

Dist. No. 10 (BOSCAWEN, NORTHFIELD)
Russell C. Mattice
Doris L. Thompson
Elmer S. Wiggin

Dist. No. 11 (ANDOVER, SALISBURY)
James A. Humphrey

Dist. No. 12 (FRANKLIN, Ward 1)
Joseph Burleigh

Dist. No. 13 (FRANKLIN, Wards 2 and 3)
Eugene S. Daniell, Jr.
William B. Fisher
Donald J. Piper

Dist. No. 14 (CONCORD, Ward 1)
Milton A. Cate
Martin R. Haller

Dist. No. 15 (CONCORD, Ward 2)
Chris K. Anderson
Alice Davis

Dist. No. 16 (CONCORD, Ward 3)
Susan N. McLane
Henry C. Newell

Dist. No. 17 (CONCORD, Ward 4)
H. Gwendolyn Jones
Kenneth M. Tarr

Dist. No. 18 (CONCORD, Ward 5)
Wayne S. Rich
Barbara J. Underwood

Dist. No. 19 (CONCORD, Ward 6)
Katherine J. Harriman
Ralph W. Wilson

Dist. No. 20 (CONCORD, Ward 7)
C. Edwin Howard
Eugene H. Woodward, Jr.

Dist. No. 21 (CONCORD, Ward 8)
Elizabeth S. Hager
John H. Noble

MERRIMACK COUNTY DELEGATION PUBLIC HEARING — STATE LIBRARY CONCORD, N. H.

February 26, 1974

A public hearing on the County Commissioners' proposed budget of operating expenses of the County for the calendar year of 1974 was held in the State Library, Concord, at 3:30 p.m. Chairman Kopperl presided.

County Commissioner Ayotte made opening remarks and presented Mr. Lethbridge, Administrator of the County Home, who explained the budget for the Home. He stated that this budget represents a decrease in the amount of money to be raised by taxes as compared to last year. No major new positions have been added. He stated that in 1967, when the County built the new addition to the Home, it was agreed (with the State) that the County would build a sewage treatment facility as soon as money could be made available. Money from the federal government and the State is now available and the State has told the County it must proceed without further delay. Of the estimated cost of $800,000, the County's share (5%) will be about $40,000. Pay raises are budgeted to take place July 1, 1974. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Cox, Superintendent of the Jail, explained his proposed budget for the County Jail. He stated that the SAD program had been very successful and he would like to see it continued. Discussion ensued.

County Commissioner Perkins presented the Administrative Office budget and budgets for the Register of Deeds, Register of Probate, Medical Referee, County Attorney and Court House Maintenance. The Commissioners were seeking a raise in salary to $3,000 per year. Mr. Perkins explained that the duty of holding hearings

on referrals of individuals to the New Hampshire Hospital has been placed upon the Probate Court of Merrimack County and requires a great deal of time on the part of the Judge and the Register of Probate. The Judge now has to come in two or three times a week, when before his visits might be as few as four or five times a month. Discussion ensued.

County Commissioner Spaulding spoke on the proposed Sheriff's budget — Sheriff Daniels gave further explanation — and budgets for Maintenance of Court House (and new administrative building), Superior Court, Public Welfare (including the supplemental donated foods account), and the County Extension Service. Discussion ensued.

County Commissioner Spaulding estimated that the total amount that would have to be raised by taxes for County business next year would be about $267,000 less than last year.

The Public Hearing closed at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Haller, Clerk

MERRIMACK COUNTY DELEGATION MEETING
MERRIMACK COUNTY HOME
BOSCAWEN, N. H.

June 3, 1974

A meeting of the Merrimack County Delegation was held at 9:30 a.m. on June 3, 1974. Those present were Rep. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Bigelow, Chandler, Parker, Deoss, Hanson, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Goff, Gordon, Bartlett, Cushman, Kopperl, Mattice, Doris L. Thompson, Wiggin, Humphrey, Burleigh, Daniell, Cate, Haller, Andersen, Davis, Newell, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Tarr, Underwood, Rich, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, Woodward, Hager and Noble.

Chairman Kopperl outlined the agenda the meeting would follow. First we would make a decision on the allocation of Federal Revenue Sharing funds. Second Rep. Hanson would give the report of the Space Study Committee. Third we would vote on the budgets of the County institutions, the Farm, the Home and the Jail. Finally we would consider the rest of the County budget.

Rep. Henry Newell moved that the recommendation of the Executive Committee that Federal Revenue Sharing money be allocated $50,000 to the principal on the loan of the new County Administration Building and the rest to the salaries of nurses at the County Nursing Home and of guards at the County Jail and House of Correction, be adopted. Rep. Noble seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rep. Richard Hanson was recognized to give the report of the Space Study Committee. He presented plans for the proposed modular addition to the County Nursing Home. He also spoke on the need of building a new County Court House. Rep. Hanson answered questions on his report.

Rep. Hanson moved that $25,000 be authorized for the Space Study Committee plans; $12,500 for designing and planning the modular addition for the Home, $6,000 for updating the plans for a new Court House, and $6,500 for long range planning for adding to the Nursing Home. Rep. Noble seconded.

Rep. Daniell moved that Rep. Hanson's motion be amended to make the total sum authorized $19,000 by removing the $6,000 designated for updating the plans for a new County Court House. Rep. Harriman seconded.

Speaking on the amendment: for, Rep. Daniell and Chandler; against, Rep. Hanson, Haller and Andersen.

Rep. Cushman moved the previous question on the amendment. Rep. Underwood seconded. Passed.

Daniell amendment; Rep. Daniell asked for a roll call. Amendment passed on roll. For: Rep. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Chandler, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Gordon, Cushman, Mattice, Doris L. Thompson, Wiggin, Humphrey, Daniell, Davis, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Rich, Harriman, Wilson, and Howard. Against: Rep. Bigelow, Parker, Deoss, Hanson, Goff, Bartlett, Burleigh, Cate, Haller, Andersen, Newell, Tarr, Underwood, Woodward, Hager, and Noble.

Rep. Doris Thompson moved the previous question on the motion as amended. Rep. H. Gwendolyn Jones seconded. Passed.

Hanson motion as amended passed.

Rep. Daniell moved reconsideration on Hanson motion. Rep. Mattice seconded. Motion lost.

Rep. Hanson moved the County Commissioners be authorized to borrow $330,000 for a modular addition for the County Nursing Home.

The Chairman questioned the County Attorney as to whether such borrowing would require the Delegation to hold a hearing first. As the County Attorney was in doubt, Rep. Hanson withdrew his motion.

Mr. Wesley Brown of the firm of Anderson Nichols answered questions on the sewage treatment plant that will be built at the Boscawen Institutions site.

County Home Budget.

Rep. Newell moved that the Nursing Home and Farm budget be adopted as recommended by the Executive Committee, together with all notes thereto, the notes of the Executive Committee taking precedence over any others and with all salary increases effective on July 1, 1974, unless otherwise noted in the budget. Rep. Harriman seconded.

Rep. Tarr moved that the Newell motion be amended to provide that the County Nursing Home and Farm employees be placed on a salary schedule equal to that of the state salary code effective June 21, 1974. Rep. H. G. Jones seconded.

Speaking on the motion: for, Rep. Tarr; against, Rep. Chandler, Gordon and Daniell.

Rep. Cushman moved the previous question. Rep. Daniell seconded. Passed.

Rep. Gordon requested a roll call on the Tarr amendment. Motion lost on roll call.

For: Rep. Kidder, Bigelow, Parker, Hanson, Goff, Cushman, Wiggin, Burleigh, Haller, Andersen, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Tarr, Woodward, and Noble.

Against: Arthur E. Thompson, Chandler, Deoss, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Gordon, Bartlett, Mattice, Doris L. Thompson, Humphrey, Daniell, Cate, Davis,

Newell, Underwood, Rich, Harriman, Wilson, Howard and Hager.

Rep. Newell motion on Home and Farm budget passed.

Rep. Chandler moved reconsideration on the Newell motion. Rep. Cate seconded. Motion lost.

Rep. Newell moved that the Jail and House of Corrections budget be adopted as recommended by the Executive Committee, together with all notes thereto, the notes of the Executive Committee taking precedence over any others and with all salary increases effective on July 1, 1974. Further, that the renumbering of accounts as shown in the final version be accepted and that the account numbers in all previous budget presentations and executive committee minutes be amended to be in accordance therewith.

Rep. Wiggin questioned whether the Superintendent of the Jail was getting less of a raise as an unclassified employee than he would have had he remained classified. Mr. Cox answered questions on the Superintendent salary.

Rep. Daniell moved that the Jailor's salary be made $10,415.75. Rep. Tarr seconded.

Rep. Cushman moved the previous question. Rep. Bigelow seconded. Passed.

Daniell amendment on Jailor's salary passed.

Newell motion as amended: Rep. Andersen moved the previous question. Rep. Chandler seconded. Passed. Newell motion on Jail budget passed as amended.

Rep. Newell moved that the Court House budget (including all departments housed in Court House, plus Other) be adopted as recommended by the Executive Committee, together with all notes thereto, the notes of

the Executive Committee taking precedence over any others and with all salary increases effective on July 1, 1974 unless otherwise noted in the budget. Rep. Deoss seconded.

Rep. Chandler moved that the Newell motion be amended by removing the $6,000 provided for the hiring of a County Coordinator. Rep. Harriman seconded. Motion lost.

Rep. Chandler moved that the Newell motion be amended to provide that the County Commissioners' salaries remain at $2,400 instead of increased to $3,000. Rep. Humphrey seconded. Motion lost.

Rep. Daniell moved that the pay of the County Commissioners be $3,000 effective July 1 but revert to $2,400 at the end of the first full month of employment of a County Coordinator. Rep. Rich seconded. Motion lost.

Rep. Daniell moved that the sum of $7,000 be added to account No. 4101.29, Outside Services, under a sub account "a" to be paid for a rehabilitation coordinator for the County Jail under the direction of the County Commissioners. Rep. Haller seconded. Motion passed 16 to 11 on a division vote.

Rep. Cushman moved that the Treasurer's budget be amended to abate the fine due from the Town of Loudon for late payment of the County tax assessment. Rep. Rich seconded.

County Commissioner Ray Perkins stated that he doubted if the Delegation had the power to abate the fine as it was provided for in the State Statutes.

Rep. Cushman's motion lost.

Rep. Newell moved the following technical amendments to the footnotes on the Sheriff's budget: 1. that

under footnote "b" next to the total $77,730.00 the "b 9" be eliminated; 2. under footnote "e" the word "per" be substituted for the word "in" in the phrase "as in regulations"; 3. under footnote "h" the first two words "Revolving fund" be struck out. Rep. Parker seconded. Motion passed.

Rep. Humphrey moved that $20,000 be deleted from the criminal investigation funds in the Sheriff's department. Rep. Howard seconded.

Rep. Chandler moved that the Humphrey motion be amended to provide that the Chairman appoint a committee of 5 members to study the question of the Sheriff's criminal investigation powers. Rep. Haller seconded.

Rep. Hanson challenged the ruling of the Chair in accepting the Chandler motion. Chair sustained.

Rep. Chandler's amendment lost.

On roll call requested by Rep. Gordon, Humphrey amendment passed. Roll call:

For: Rep. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Bigelow, Chandler, Deoss, Hanson, Humphrey, Burleigh, Daniell, Newell, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Underwood, Rich, Harriman, Wilson, Howard.

Against: Rep. Parker, Gamache, Goff, Gordon, Bartlett, Mattice, Doris L. Thompson, Wiggin, Haller, Davis and Noble.

Rep. Humphrey moved reconsideration of his motion. Rep. Hanson seconded. Motion lost.

Rep. Humphrey moved that the $550 under Acct. No. 4140.94 Insurance be deleted. Rep. Bigelow seconded.

Rep. Bartlett challenged the presence of a quorum. 27 members answering the roll, a quorum was present.

Rep. Humphrey withdrew his motion.

Rep. Bigelow moved that the word "Auxiliary" be removed from next to the title "Insurance" under Acct. No. 4140.94. Rep. Doris Thompson seconded. Motion passed 16 to 8 on a division vote.

Rep. Hanson moved that the $1,000 under Acct. No. 4160.96 be made $13,000. Rep. H. G. Jones seconded. Motion passed.

Rep. Newell moved that a third line be added under Acct. No. 4101.29 "Outside services", this to be sub account "b" "legal services" with the sum of $1,500 next to it footnoted: Should the Court order a contribution by the County to a private retirement plan for the Clerk of Court under Item 4180.79, the Commissioners may cause payment therefor, under protest, and shall either appeal such order or seek such remedy in law as may be proper and available to them and employ counsel to determine, authoritatively,

1. Whether the Clerk of Court is a State or County employee.
2. Whether employees of the Clerk's office are State or County employees.
3. Whether the Commissioners or the Convention or a committee of the latter may modify Court requests for appropriations in any manner or to any degree, particularly with respect to classifying positions in the Clerk's office.
4. Whether, when paying retirement contributions on account of the Clerk of Court and employees of his office, the County must adhere to the requirements of the N. H. Retirement System (RSA 100 or 100-A) which the County joined in 1946 for the benefit of "its officers and employees" or whether it shall be subject to the provisions of RSA 499:12.

5. Any such other important questions as may relate to the matters referred to above.

Seconded by Rep. Daniell. Motion passed.

Rep. Newell moved that the Summary of Expenses sheet be footnoted as follows: "Note: transfers of appropriations. In General, except as otherwise specifically noted, transfers within an agency budget from one line item to another line item may be made only with the prior approval of the County Coordinator and consent of the Commissioners; and transfers from one agency account to another agency of the County shall be made only on orders of the Commissioners approved by the Executive Committee; provided that the County Coordinator shall provide the Treasurer with a copy of each order, and each internal transfer." Rep. Harriman seconded. Motion passed.

Rep. Hanson moved that in view of the County Attorney's statement that we most likely will have to pay resident workers, a sum not to exceed $51,912 be appropriated so that the County Commissioners can establish positions in the County Nursing Home budget and begin to pay these resident workers. Rep. Hanson withdrew his motion after a short discussion.

Rep. Newell motion on the Court House budget was passed as amended.

Rep. Newell moved the adoption of the following resolution.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Convention of Merrimack County, assembled in Boscawen on this third day of June 1974, that a position of County Coordinator be established in the office of the Board of Commissioners on or

after the first day of September 1974, and that the Commissioners shall set the beginning salary for that position at an amount not to exceed $6,000 for four months (or $18,000 for one year); and that the duties, functions and conditions of employment for that position be as follows:

1. General duties and responsibilities of the Coordinator shall be:
   a. To serve the Board of County Commissioners;
   b. To prepare the annual budget and capital program of the County for the Board;
   c. To supervise the handling of all appropriations and purchases;
   d. To be the chief professional advisor to the Board and assist it in securing professional and special services when needed;
   e. To make such reports as the Board may require concerning present or future operations of County government;
   f. To represent the Board in communications with County officers, the Superior Court, Federal, State and Local government agencies unless otherwise ordered by the Board;
   g. To assist in the preparation of classification of and compensation schedules for all positions paid for in part or in whole by County taxes or Federal or State aid or grants;
   h. To perform other duties that the Board may require.

2. In order that the Coordinator may properly exercise his duties and responsibilities, the Board of Commissioners shall:
   a. Provide that he shall attend all meetings of the Board, so far as possible, except when his own position and salary are to be discussed, and that

he may participate in discussions of matters before the Board, but shall have no vote;

b. Assign to him the duty of cooperating with the Clerk of the Board in the preparation and distribution of agenda for meetings of the Board;

c. Avoid the delegation or assignment of administrative functions to individual members of the Board or to officials or employees placed under the direction of the Coordinator;

d. Adopt uniform personnel policies to be applied by the coordinator and act upon his recommendations regarding appointment, promotion or removal of subordinate personnel.

3. In order to promote the coordination of all activities of the County, the Board of Commissioners shall:

a. Invite the statutory agencies to work in close cooperation with the office of the Coordinator;

b. Encourage independently elected County officials to coordinate their work with that of the Administrator and to meet with him periodically for the consideration of County programs and plans;

c. Arrange for the Coordinator to meet with and inform the Executive Committee on budgetary matters of the County, including capital planning and financing, as they may request.

4. In the exercise of his duties the Administrator shall:

a. Work with the Board of Commissioners as a single body, except when the Board may direct him to work with committees or statutory agencies;

b. Coordinate his work with that of the County Treasurer;

c. Keep the Board fully informed of the financial needs of the County;

d. Advise the Board of, and make recommendations

concerning, all state and federal grants and programs affecting the County;

e. Recognize at all times that he is accountable to the Board of Commissioners for the administration of its policies and programs.

5. Personal qualifications for the position of Coordinator shall include:

A bachelor's degree from an accredited curriculum in accounting, business administration or related field; or five years of experience, of a quality satisfactory to the Board, in office management, budgetting and procurement; or an equivalent combination of education and experience with demonstrated knowledge of governmental accounting practices and administration; and ability to plan, organize and direct the work of others, to assemble, correlate and analyze facts and devise solutions of administrative problems, to express ideas clearly and to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other administrative officials and the general public.

6. Appointment of the Coordinator shall be by the Board of Commissioners with the approval of the County Executive Committee for an indefinite term, but the Board may remove the Coordinator for cause provided that he be given a full statement of such cause and, if he so requests, a hearing. No person shall be eligible for appointment as County Coordinator who has held any elective office in County government, or who has been a member of the County Convention, within the two year period immediately preceding the date of his appointment.

Rep. Mattice seconded. Motion passed.

Rep. Hanson moved that the County raise $1,362,824.43 by taxes to cover the cost of this year's budget. Rep.

Wiggin seconded. Motion passed.

The Chairman read a letter addressed to the Delegation from himself in which he resigned.

Meeting adjourned on motion of Rep. Hanson at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Haller, Clerk

MERRIMACK COUNTY DELEGATION MEETING
STATE LIBRARY, ROOM 107
CONCORD, N. H.

June 12, 1974

PRESENT: Rep. William F. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Kenneth L. Sherman, L. Waldo Bigelow, Jr., John P. H. Chandler, Jr., Harry C. Parker, Joseph H. Deoss, Richard D. Hanson, Laurent J. Boucher, Edward H. Enright, Edith S. Rice, George E. Gordon III, Clarence E. Bartlett, George D. Kopperl, Russell C. Mattice, Doris L. Thompson, Elmer S. Wiggin, James A. Humphrey, Joseph Burleigh, Eugene S. Daniell, Jr., Milton A. Cate, Alice Davis, Susan N. McLane, Henry C. Newell, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Kenneth M. Tarr, Wayne S. Rich, Katherine J. Harriman, Ralph W. Wilson, C. Edwin Howard, Eugene H. Woodward, Jr., Elizabeth S. Hager, John H. Noble.

The meeting was opened by Chairman Davis at 10:00 a.m.

Rep. Chandler moved resolution No. 1 as follows: Resolved that the Merrimack County Delegation reaffirms its action of December 10, 1973 relative to hiring of Criminal Investigative Deputies and further resolves that all present personnel of the Sheriff's Department shall remain as employees of the County.

And that the Chairman of the County Delegation shall appoint a Committee of 5 members to study the present and future duties of the Sheriff's Department, said committee shall solicit opinions from other law enforcement departments, government agencies, judges, attornies and others, and further resolves that the Executive Committee and the Board of Commissioners shall work together to effect such budget reductions as possible, per the delegation vote of June 3, 1974.

Rep. Humphrey moved the resolution be tabled. So voted.

Rep. Hanson moved resolution No. 2 as follows: Be it moved that a budget of $332,400 be approved as the operating budget of the Eagle Convalescent Center for July 1, 1974 through December 31, 1974.

Be it further moved that a capital outlay be approved of $29,000 for the purchase of equipment and supplies at the Eagle Convalescent Center.

Be it further moved that an income account of $322,440 be approved as an income item under the title "Patient Income" (Eagle Convalescent Center) and that the of $29,000 be added to the amount to be raised by County taxes in the budget year 1974.

Rep. Newell moved that the convention meet in a committee of the whole. Motion passed.

In the committee of the whole Thomas L. Hooker, ACSW, read his letter of June 11 to Commissioner Ayotte and explained plans for running the facility (Eagle Convalescent Center) for about two years. Questions followed.

Commissioner Ayotte spoke in favor of the motion. Mr. Lethbridge spoke in favor. If the $13.50 rate proves to be not enough, it will be increased retroactively. Dr. Michaels now employs 82. County plans to add 14 more and raise pay scale for all to come up to County level. Rep. Hanson says it will take at least two years to build a new 200 bed building in Boscawen.

Rep. Newell moved that the committee of the whole adjourn and reassemble in convention. Motion passed.

Hanson Resolution No. 2 passed on a roll call vote. YES: Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Sherman, Bigelow, Chandler, Parker, Deoss, Hanson, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gordon, Bartlett, Mattice, Doris L. Thompson, Wiggin, Humphrey, Burleigh, Daniell, McLane, Newell, Jones, Tarr, Rich, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, Woodward, Hager, Noble. NO: Cate. Yes: 30, NO: 1.

Resolution No. 3 moved by Rep. Hanson, seconded by Rep. Parker as follows: I move that the Merimack County Commissioners be empowered to enter into a lease with the Eagle Convalescent Center, Inc. in order to carry out the operation of the Eagle Convalescent Center as a County nursing home; said lease to be in effect for 12 months, from July 1, 1974 through June 30, 1975 and renewed as the lease and circumstances dictate. Motion passed.

Resolution No. 4 moved by Rep. Hanson, seconded by Rep. McLane as follows: Be it moved that the amount of $350,000 be approved by the Delegation and that the County Commissioners and County Treasurer be authorized to borrow on short term notes, monies not to exceed $350,000; to be paid back in not more than five years. Motion passed.

Resolution No. 5 moved by Rep. Hanson, seconded by Rep. Rich as follows: Be it moved that the amount of $60,000 be added to the expense and income side of the County Nursing Home's budget under the titles "48-bed addition income" and "48-bed addition expenses." This money not to be spent until the addition is completed and then only with the County Commissioners' approval. Resolution passed on a roll call vote. YES: Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Sherman, Bigelow, Chandler, Parker, Deoss, Hanson, Boucher, Enright, Gordon, Bartlett, Doris L. Thompson, Wiggin, Humphrey, Burleigh, Cate, McLane, Newell, Jones, Tarr, Rich, Wilson, Howard, Woodward, Hager, Noble. NO: Rice, Mattice, Daniell, Harriman. YEA: 27, NO: 4.

Rep. Bigelow moved to adjourn. Motion carried 16 - 14.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. H. Chandler, Jr.
Clerk pro tem

MERRIMACK COUNTY DELEGATION MEETING
STATE LIBRARY
CONCORD, N. H.

July 1, 1974

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order at 9:40. Those members present were: Rep. Kidder, A. Thompson, Sherman, Bigelow, Chandler, Jones, Deoss, Hanson, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Bartlett, Perkins, Cushman, Mattice, Doris L. Thompson, Wiggin, Humphrey, Burleigh, Daniell, Cate, Davis, McLane, Newell, Tarr, Rich, Underwood, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, Woodward, Hager, Noble. Thirty-four members were present.

Nine members were absent: Rep. Parker, Goff, Gordon, Plourde, Fisher, Kopperl, Haller, Andersen, H. Gwendolyn Jones.

(A transcript of the meeting was taken by a public stenographer.)

Rep. Chandler moved that the Delegation observe a moment of silence in memory of Rep. Piper, recently deceased. The moment of silence was observed.

Chairman Davis called on Commissioner Perkins to explain the Commissioners' position in regard to the Sheriff's budget.

Chairman Davis then called on County Attorney Hampe to state his opinions in regard to the Sheriff's budget. He did so and also explained the options he believed open to the Delegation in relation to the Sheriff's budget.

Members of the Delegation asked questions.

Chairman Davis stated her views on the Sheriff's budget and court suit.

Rep. Hanson stated his views on the Sheriff's budget.

Rep. Daniell, having voted with the prevailing side, moved that the Delegation reconsider the Sheriff's budget. Rep. D. Thompson seconded the motion. Rep. Daniell and Rep. Chandler each spoke in favor of the motion. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Rep. Newell moved that the following budget be substituted for the Sheriff's budget adopted on June 3, 1974. Rep. Humphrey seconded the motion.

4140.00 Sheriff's Office

4140.09	Salary of Sheriff	$18,700.00	#
.01	Salaries-Deputies, dispatchers & clerks	74,230.00	a.
.68	Communications-telephone (dispatchers)	1,966.00	b.
.82	Telephone-maintenance & repair	3,300.00	c.
.97	Equipment-office machines, furniture, misc.	910.00	
.89	Cruisers and equipment	18,000.00	d. & e.
.17	Operating expense Educ. & training	500.00	f.
.72	Auto insurance	1,000.00	
.94	Insurance - Sheriff & salaried deputies	550.00	g.
.92	Auto maintenance	3,850.00	
.37	Office expenses - dues & subscriptions	300.00	
.38	Postage	400.00	
.35	Stationery & supplies	1,200.00	
.29	Fees paid to state officials	6,000.00	
.71	Extradition travel expenses	2,500.00	
.39	Photography	350.00	

Uniforms - $250 per salaried deputy (6)	1,500.00	h.
Total appropriation for 1974	$135,256.00	

Footnotes - Sheriff's Office, 1974 Budget

a. **Individual salaries**

Chief Dep. Sheriff (Crim. invest.)	$ 6,375.00	a 1.
Asst. Chief Dep. Sheriff (Court)	8,500.00	
Dep. Sheriff (Crim. investigator)	6,615.00	a 2.
Dep. Sheriff (Crim. investigator)	8,000.00	
Dep. Sheriff (court)	6,250.00	
Dep. Sheriff (Court)	6,250.00	
Dep. Sheriffs on per diems	3,510.00	a 3.
Secretary	6,340.00	a 4.
Dispatch supervisor and clerk (1)	5,600.00	
Dispatchers (3), temporary	15,990.00	a 5.
Consultant	800.00	a 6.
Total	$ 74,230.00	a 7.

a 1. Position abolished, effective October 1, 1974. The amount is for 37 weeks of salary ($8,500/year) plus 2 weeks of compensation in consideration of vacation and severance.

a 2. Position abolished, effective November 5, 1974. The amount is for 42 weeks of salary ($8,000 per year) plus 2 weeks of compensation in consideration of vacation and severance.

a 3. Per diems shall be as allowed by RSA 104:31, VI, including transportation (by county vehicles) of persons to and from court or jail. A special deputy (RSA 104:4) shall be paid as provided by RSA 104:3-e and 31.

a 4. 1973-74 State salary schedule grade 9, step 1.

a 5. Includes $14,594 Crime Commission grant.

a 6. For employment of the retired secretary on a part time temporary basis — not as a County employee.

a 7. Includes $7,000 Crime Commission grant — salary in Sheriff's office.

b. Temporary to January 1, 1975. Includes $1,098 Crime Commission grant.

c. Temporary to January 1, 1975, so far as dispatching is involved.

d. Cruisers shall be used only in accordance with regulations formally adopted by the Commissioners.

e. The Commissioners shall advertise and take bids on the sale of one fully equipped cruiser on or before October 1, 1974, and sell to the highest accepted bidder.

f. For not more than 8 deputies and the Sheriff.

g. For libel, slander and false arrest — Sheriff & salaried deputies.

h. The Sheriff and salaried deputies, only, shall be authorized to wear the department uniform. $250 is a uniform allowance for each deputy.

In case a new Sheriff is elected in 1974, the 1975 salary shall start at $15,000 per year.

NOTE: By vote of the Convention, December 10, 1973, towns and cities desiring dispatch service by the Sheriff shall be billed annually at the end of each year for costs exceeding grants on a per capita basis.

Rep. Newell, Hanson, and Bigelow spoke in favor of the motion. Rep. Cushman and Chandler spoke against the motion. Sheriff Daniels spoke aganist the motion.

Rep. Daniell moved the previous question seconded by Rep. Hager. Motion carried.

Roll call vote on Rep. Newell's motion:

YEAS: Rep. Kidder, Arthur Thompson, Sherman, Bigelow, Hanson, Mattice, Burleigh, Daniell, Cate, McLane, Newell, Rich, Underwood, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, and Humphrey.

NAYS: Rep. Chandler, Donald Jones, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Bartlett, Perkins, Cushman, Doris Thompson, Tarr, Woodward, Hager, and Noble.
Motion carried 17 - 14.

Rep. Humphrey moved reconsideration of Sheriff's budget. Seconded by Rep. Harriman. Motion failed.

Rep. Hanson moved: That the Convention hereby authorize the Executive Committee to engage legal counsel, immediately, to represent the Convention and its Chairman, Alice Davis, in the case of Daniels v. Foster, et al; if such case is pursued.

That an account in the County budget for 1974 be established as a sub-item of Account No. 4101.94, County Delegation Expense, and be entitled "Legal Services for the Convention," and

That the sum of $500 be transferred to the account for Legal Services for the Convention from Account No. 4180.49, Contingencies, and such additional sums as the Executive Committee, upon duly authorized written request to the Commissioners, shall from time to time require for said services.

Rep. McLane seconded. Motion carried.

Rep. Newell moved that the Sheriff's budget be accepted as amended above. Rep. Bigelow seconded. Motion adopted.

Rep. Hager moved that the Delegation adjourn. Seconded by Rep. Bigelow. Voted. Delegation adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Hager
Acting Clerk

MERRIMACK COUNTY DELEGATION
PUBLIC HEARING
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
CONCORD, N. H.

December 4, 1974

A Public Hearing before the Merrimack County Convention was held Wednesday, December 4, 1974, at 1:30 p.m. to consider the following:

1. A bond issue not to exceed $5,500,000 to finance the construction of a 200 bed addition at the County Nursing Home, Boscawen, New Hampshire.

2. The allocation of $24,114 in revenue sharing funds and interest to the retirement of a portion of the debt incurred for the construction of the 48 bed addition at the County Nursing Home.

3. The borrowing of $1,400,000 in anticipation of taxes for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1975.

4. A resolution providing for a continuing appropriation for the expenses of the County, its departments and agencies at 1974 levels until such time as the County Convention approves final budget appropriations.

Chairman Davis recognized Rep. Richard Hanson, Chairman of the Space Study Committee, to present the proposal for a bond issue for a 200 bed addition at the County Nursing Home.

Mr. Robert Lethbridge, Administrator of the County Nursing Home, spoke on the proposal.

Members of the Convention questioned Rep. Hanson and Mr. Lethbridge extensively on the proposal.

County Coordinator Rodney Tenney spoke on the other three items.

The Public Hearing was closed at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Martin Haller, Clerk

MERRIMACK COUNTY DELEGATION MEETING
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
CONCORD, N. H.

December 4, 1974

A meeting of the Merrimack County Delegation was held Wednesday, December 4, 1974 at 2:30 p.m. Those present were Rep. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Sherman, Chandler, Parker, Deoss, Hanson, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Bartlett, Perkins, Cushman, Doris L. Thompson, Humphrey, Burleigh, Daniell, Haller, Andersen, Davis, McLane, Newell, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Tarr, Rich, Underwood, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, Hager, and Noble.

Rep. Hanson moved that "five million five hundred thousand dollars ($5,500,000) be appropriated for a two hundred bed addition to the Merrimack County Nursing Home at Boscawen and for the original equipping and furnishing thereof, and that the County Commissioners are authorized to issue five million five hundred thousand dollars ($5,500,000) bonds of the County under RSA 28 and the Municipal Finance Act to finance the construction and original equipping and furnishing of said two hundred bed addition, and that the County Commissioners are authorized to accept any federal or state funds that may be available for this project."

Rep. McLane seconded the motion.

Rep. Hanson spoke to his motion. Members of the Delegation questioned Rep. Hanson, Mr. Lethbridge, Mr. Tenney and County Treasurer Robert Foster on the proposal and its financing.

Rep. H. G. Jones moved the previous question. Rep. Underwood seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rep. Chandler moved that the rules of the Delegation be suspended so as to allow an amendment to Rep. Hanson's original motion at this time. Rep. McLane seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rep. Chandler moved to amend Rep. Hanson's motion to include the words "not to exceed" inserted right before the first mention of "five million five hundred thousand dollars ($5,500,000)". Rep. Daniell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rep. Hager requested a roll call on Rep. Hanson's motion. Those voting "Yes": Rep. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Sherman, Parker, Hanson, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Bartlett, Perkins, Cushman, Doris L. Thompson, Burleigh, Daniell, Haller, McLane, Newell, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Tarr, Rich, Underwood, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, Hager and Noble. Those voting "No": Rep. Chandler, Deoss, and Humphrey. Motion passed.

Rep. Chandler moved "that, it being anticipated that at least one million four hundred thousand dollars ($1,400,000) will be needed during the fiscal year ending December 31, 1975 to meet the demands upon the County Treasury which there is insufficient money to meet, the Treasurer is hereby authorized to borrow not exceeding one million four hundred thousand dollars ($1,400,000) in anticipation of taxes as such funds are needed during said year upon order of the County Commissioners pursuant to RSA 29:8."

Rep. H. G. Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rep. Underwood moved "that, there being unallocated revenue sharing funds in the amount of fifteen thousand one hundred fourteen dollars ($15,114) for the first and second entitlement periods which must be used or appropriated or obligated within twenty-four (24) months of the dates of the checks and there being unallocated interest from revenue sharing funds in the amount of nine thousand dollars ($9,000), said unallocated revenue sharing funds and said interest in the total amount of twenty-four thousand one hundred fourteen dollars ($24,114) be appropriated for the retirement of a portion of the debt incurred for the construction of the forty-eight (48) bed addition at the County Nursing Home."

Rep. Rich seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rep. Newell moved, "Be it resolved: That until appropriations for expenses of the County for the year 1975 are made, departments and agencies are authorized to continue, in 1975, expenditures approved June 3 and 10, 1974, at rates of expenditure corresponding to monthly expenditures of 1974 with these added provisions:

1) Purchases of new equipment shall be made in accordances with orders of the Convention of 1975;

2) The resolution of June 3, 1974 and appropriation with footnotes, relative to questions of law requiring authoritative answers in matters respecting retirement contributions for the Clerk of Court, shall continue in 1975 until the Convention shall otherwise order;

3) The motion adopted by the Convention on July 1, 1974, to engage counsel in the case of **Daniels v. Foster, et al,** and the appropriation with transfer power shall continue in 1975 until the new Convention shall otherwise order;

4) Positions in the Sheriff Department shall be continued and maintained in 1975 on annual salaries, except positions on per diems, until the Convention of 1975 shall otherwise order, as follows: one (1) chief deputy sheriff @ $8,750; two (2) deputy sheriffs (court) @ $6,500, each; one (1) deputy sheriff @ $8,250; deputy sheriffs on per diems, $500 for all; one (1) secretary in the 1973-74 state scheduled labor grade 9, step 1 @ $6,340; one (1) dispatch supervisor-clerk @ $5,900; three (3) dispatchers @ $15,900 for all; and the Sheriff @ $15,000, the minimum provided by RSA 104:29, X (Supp);

This resolution shall take effect January 1, 1975 and shall be of no further effect after March 31, 1975, except as the Convention of 1975 shall make new appropriations sooner or shall otherwise order."

Rep. Harriman seconded the motion.

Rep. D. Thompson moved that Rep. Newell's motion be laid on the table. Rep. Cushman seconded the motion.

Rep. D. Thompson requested a roll on her motion. Those voting "Yes": Rep. Hanson, Cushman, Doris Thompson, Daniell, Haller, and Tarr. Those voting "No": Rep. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Sherman, Chandler, Parker, Deoss, Boucher, Enright, Rice, Gamache, Humphrey, Burleigh, McLane, Newell, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Rich, Underwood, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, Hager, Noble. Motion defeated.

Rep. Daniell moved that the rules of the Delegation be suspended to allow the Sheriff to speak. Rep. Doris Thompson seconded the motion. After a voice vote a standing vote was requested. Motion lost, 11 to 14.

Rep. Newell answered questions on his original motion.

Rep. Hager moved that Mr. Connelly, the attorney hired by the Delegation to represent the Delegation in the suit brought by the Sheriff, be heard. Rep. Cushman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Connelly spoke to the Delegation briefly.

Rep. Haller requested a roll call on Rep. Newell's original motion. Those voting "Yes": Rep. Kidder, Arthur E. Thompson, Sherman, Chandler, Parker, Deoss, Enright, Humphrey, McLane, Newell, H. Gwendolyn Jones, Rich, Underwood, Harriman, Wilson, Howard, Hager, and Noble. Those voting "No": Rep. Hanson, Boucher, Rice, Cushman, Doris L. Thompson, Burleigh, Daniell, Haller, and Tarr. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m. on motion of Rep. Chandler.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Haller, Clerk

BUDGET OF MERRIMACK COUNTY
1974

Purpose of Appropriation

General Government:		$ 978,297
Administration — Commissioners' Office	$ 64,275	
Administration — Treasurer	23,985	
Administration — Auditors	1,500	
County Attorney	17,855	
Register of Deeds	103,105	
Register of Probate	13,383	
Sheriff	144,256	
Medical Referee	10,000	
Maintenance of Court House	44,600	
Superior Court	177,923	
Public Welfare	377,415	
County Nursing Home:		1,529,978
Administration	172,288	
Property and Related Expense	39,300	
Dietary	280,117	
Nursing	645,084	
Plant Operation	180,960	
Laundry and Linen	60,984	
Housekeeping	66,016	
Physicians and Pharmacy	49,650	
Special Services	35,274	
48 Bed Addition	305	
Corrections Department		189,225
County Farm		74,578
Eagle Convalescent Home		336,294
Cooperative Extension Service		52,000
Grants		49,500
Debt Service:		171,500
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	42,500	

Interest on Bonded Debt	49,000	
Principal on Bonded Debt	80,000	
Capital Outlay, New Construction and Equip.:		229,000
Sewage Treatment Facilities	200,000	
Eagle Convalescent Home Furnishings	29,000	
Fiscal Year Reserve Fund		250,000
County Convention Expense		27,700
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		$3,888,072

Sources of Revenue

Current Income:		
Superior Court — Fines and Forfeited Bail		$ 20,000
Register of Deeds — Fees		83,500
Sheriff's Writ Fees		56,000
County Nursing Home:		1,096,129
Patient Income	985,000	
Miscellaneous Income	1,500	
Maintenance — Rooms & Meals	24,600	
Internal Income	85,029	
Corrections Department		1,000
County Farm		58,350
Income Other Than Current Revenue:		
Interest		35,000
Welfare:		14,300
Old Age Assistance	3,000	
Direct Relief	3,000	
Board & Care of Children	7,500	
Soldiers' Aid	800	

Other:	
Eagle Convalescent Home	336,294
Water/Sewage Reimbursement	160,000
48 Bed Addition	60,000
Treasurer's Department	3,000
Sheriff — Grants, Other	30,225
Probate — State Grant	3,500
Revenue Sharing Funds Used	172,999
Surplus Used to Reduce Tax Rate	335,950
Total Income From All Sources Except Taxation	2,466,247
Amount Necessary to Be Raised by County Tax	1,419,825
TOTAL REVENUES	$3,886,072

REPORT OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Merrimack County:

In accordance with the Revised Statutes Annotated, as amended, the Board of Merrimack County Commissioners herewith submit the annual report of the Commissioners for the year ending December 31, 1974.

The activity of each department is reported in detail in this report. The persons in charge of these departments will furnish any further detailed information desired by an interested taxpayer.

This year saw many improvements in the County. A County Coordinator was hired in the fall to provide improved county management. His duties include preparing the annual budget and capital program of the County for the Board; supervising the handling of all appropriations and purchases; serving as the chief professional advisor to the Board; and representing the Board in communications with other governmental units.

An additional social worker was added to aid the Director of Social Work with the increased work load and to manage the Food Stamp Program instituted this year.

The County Administration Building was completed and the Commissioners moved their offices into the new building at the end of the year.

A forty-eight bed addition to the County Home was completed and moved into operation in December.

The County took over the operation of the Eagle Convalescent Center in July. Expenses for operating the Eagle are totally reimbursed by the State.

Plans were made to build a major two hundred bed addition to the County Nursing Home in Boscawen. When this addition is built, the County plans to phase out its operation of the Eagle Convalescent Center.

This year Commissioner Raymond Perkins and Treasurer Robert Foster retired after rendering many years of dedicated service to the County. We wish them much happiness in their well-deserved retirement.

We wish to extend to our entire County organization our deepest thanks for their loyalty and devotion during the past year. To the Merrimack County Delegation for their aid and confidence, and to the many volunteer people and organizations who give so generously of their time so that the people in our County Home may be a little happier.

Merrimack County Board of Commissioners
Albert M. Ayotte, Chairman
Raymond K. Perkins, Clerk
Peter J. Spaulding

REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Board of County Commissioners
Merrimack County
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Gentlemen:

We have examined the Balance Sheet of Merrimack County as at December 31, 1974, and the related Statements of Revenue and Expenditures of the County and other County Activities for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying Balance Sheet and related Statements of Revenue and Expenditures of the County and other County Activities present fairly the financial position of Merrimack County as at December 31, 1974 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles for municipalities applied on a basis consistent with the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Connors
Certified Public Accountant
John E. Rich & Company
Accountants and Auditors

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Foster
Treasurer

BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		$ 193,049	
Due from County Extension Service		4,091	
Unexpended Balance of Special Appropriations			
Court House Repairs	$ 13,000		
Register of Probate Salary	4,917		
Audit	1,500		
Compressor — Nursing Home	1,000		
Nursing Services — Equipment	299		
Laundry — New Equipment	198		
Total		20,914	
Unexpended Balance — Change of Fiscal Year		250,000	
Unexpended Balance — Sewerage Treatment Facilities		196,569	
Total Current Liabilities			$ 664,623
Unexpended Balance — Federal Revenue Sharing Funds			86,024
Unexpended Balance of Bond Funds			197,932
Bonds Outstanding			1,605,886
Surplus			
Balance, January 1, 1974		335,950	
Less: Surplus Used to Reduce 1974 Tax Rate		(335,950)	
Add: Adjustments Related to Prior Year's Operations — Cancellation of Stale Checks		2,237	

Current Year			
Add: Revenue	$3,854,775		
Less: Expenditures	3,772,860		
Excess of Revenue over Expenditures		81,915	
Balance, December 31, 1974			84,152
Total Liabilities and Surplus			$2,638,617

SUMMARY OF REVENUE

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
General Government		
Taxes	$1,419,825	$1,419,825
Superior Court — Fines and Forfeits	20,000	28,814
Register of Deeds	83,500	82,304
Sheriff's Writ Fees	56,000	39,387
Sheriff Clerk Hire — Manpower	.....	133
Probate — State Funds	3,500	3,500
Sheriff Crime Commission	30,225	29,583
Board and Care of Children	7,500	9,104
Direct Aid	3,000	887
Soldiers Aid	800	62
Old Age Assistance	3,000	6,553
Forty-Eight Bed Addition — County Home	60,000	None*
Interest, etc.	3,000	4,409**
Revenue Sharing Funds Used	50,000	74,114
Food Stamp Program Income	.....	361
Water Sewerage Reimbursement	160,000	160,000
Prior Year's Surplus Used to Reduce 1974 County Tax Rate	335,950	335,950
Interest Income on Certificates and Savings	35,000	86,656
Total Revenue — General Government	2,271,300	2,281,642
Nursing Home Income	1,126,599	1,111,760
Jail	62,500	65,315
Farm Income	58,350	56,807
Eagle Convalescent Home Income	336,294	339,251
	3,855,043	3,854,775
Authorized Deficit	2,000	.....
Total Revenue	$3,857,043	$3,854,775

*This addition was not occupied until 1975.

**Includes $1,414 of Revenue Sharing Funds used to purchase new safe for Commissioners' office.

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

	1974	
General Government	Budget	Actual
Administrative	$ 93,475	$ 87,020
Treasurers Department	23,985	22,759
County Attorney	17,855	17,001
Register of Deeds	103,105	102,478
Register of Probate	13,383	14,086
Sheriff's Department	144,256	142,984
Medical Referee	10,000	9,817
Maintenance of Court House	44,600	36,282
Superior Court	177,923	164,766
Public Welfare	364,415	355,468
Soldiers Aid	13,000	15,122
Other	752,000	761,923
Total Expenditures — General Government	$1,757,997	$1,729,706
Nursing Home	1,498,949	1,458,155
Jail	189,225	180,657
Farm	74,578	72,732
Eagle Convalescent Home	336,294	331,610
Total Expenditures	$3,857,043	$3,772,860

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounts of the County are maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting with revenue not received and expenditures not paid being accrued at year end, except accrued interest on outstanding indebtedness, which is paid together with matured indebtedness from appropriations of the following year. Inventories are not recorded as assets but are expensed in the year acquired. Maintenance, operating and office supplies are not inventoried. Capital expenditures for property, plant, equipment, renewals and betterments are expensed as incurred, as are expenditures for maintenance and repairs. The budget figures shown have been adjusted for authorized transfers.

2. New Forty-Eight Bed Addition to County Home

On August 28, 1974, Merrimack County borrowed $350,000 from Concord National Bank at 6.75% interest repayable at $70,000 a year commencing September 1, 1975. The proceeds of this loan were used to construct a forty-eight bed addition to the County Home.

3. New Two Hundred Bed Addition to County Home

In 1975, the County Delegation voted to make a 200 bed addition to the County Home.

4. New Administration Building

Ownership of new administration building was accepted on November 13, 1974.

5. Other

Payments to the Superior Court clerk's special retirement program have been made under protest until a declaratory judgment is received.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT
DETAILS OF EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

	1974	
Administrative	Budget	Actual
Salaries — County Officers	$ 9,300	$ 8,700
Clerical Personnel	3,000	1,993
Employees' Social Security	17,000	19,994
County Coordinator Salary	6,000	4,455
Employees' Blue Cross Insurance	5,054	5,049
Employees' Retirement	5,900	4,056
Insurance — Workmen's Compensation	2,393	2,393
Audit	1,500	1,500
Legal Services	1,500	565
Rehabilitation Coordinator	6,378	3,815
Outside Services	1,500	1,479
Printing and Binding	1,300	1,258
Administration Supplies	200	178
Communications	250	191
Travel	700	720
County Delegation Expense	7,500	7,417
Space Study and Planning	20,200	19,352
Equipment Repairs	100	53
Equipment Rental	3,100	3,852
New Equipment	600	.....
Totals	$ 93,475	$ 87,020

Treasurers Department		
Salaries	$ 15,785	$ 15,713
Outside Services	1,200	638
Printing	500	481
Supplies	2,894	2,892
Contingency	175	175
Communications	181	181
Insurance	250	250

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
New Equipment	3,000	2,429
Totals	$ 23,985	$ 22,759
County Attorney		
Salaries — County Attorney	$ 16,000	$ 15,500
Outside Services	450	284
Printing and Binding	75	54
Supplies	350	174
Communications	580	694
Travel	300	295
New Equipment	100	.....
Totals	$ 17,855	$ 17,001
Register of Deeds		
Salaries — Register of Deeds	$ 60,534	$ 60,419
Outside Services	300	300
Printing and Binding	27,426	27,129
Supplies	435	407
Communications	1,750	1,702
Equipment Repairs	1,102	1,102
New Equipment	11,558	11,419
Totals	$103,105	$102,478
Register of Probate		
Salaries — Register of Probate	$ 5,212	$ 5,926
Acting Judge Probate	60	60
Special Salary Account	3,500	3,375
Outside Services	.....	213
Printing and Binding	2,305	2,308
Supplies	574	463
Communications	1,100	1,111
Equipment Repairs	180	178

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Insurance (Errors and Omissions)	321	321
New Equipment	131	131
Totals	$ 13,383	$ 14,086*

Sheriff's Department		
Salaries — Chief Deputy Sheriff	$ 8,838	$ 8,750
Salaries — Assistant Chief Deputy	8,750	8,750
Salaries — Sheriff Criminal Investigation	16,500	16,500
Salaries — Sheriff, Court, Civil	9,625	9,625
Salaries — Sheriff, Secretary	8,083	8,083
Salaries — Crime Clerk Dispatch	5,690	5,690
Salaries — Special Deputies	346	1,889
Salaries — Dispatch	22,990	21,964
Salaries — Sheriff	18,700	18,700
Operating Expenses — Education and Training	538	526
Fees Paid to State Officials	5,240	3,345
Office Expense — Stationery Supplies	1,783	1,592
Office Expense — Dues and Subscriptions	229	229
Office Expense — Postage	799	959
Office Expense — Photography	633	617
Communications — Tel. Dispatch	1,966	1,708
Office Expense — Extraditions and Travel	3,097	3,063
Auto Insurance	1,272	1,272
Communication — Telephone	3,427	3,824
Equipment — Cruiser and Equipment	18,286	18,253
Auto Maintenance	6,261	6,442
Operating Expense — Insurance	530	530
Equipment — Office Machine — Furniture	673	673
Totals	$144,256	$142,984

*Due to fiscal year grant.

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Medical Referee		
Salaries — Medical Referee	$ 10,000	$ 9,296
Outside Services	.....	329
Communications	.....	4
Travel	.....	188
Totals	$ 10,000	$ 9,817
Maintenance of Court House		
Salaries Janitor	$ 9,000	$ 7,312
Electricity	3,500	3,009
Water	750	414
Fuel	9,000	8,079
Outside Services	2,000	834
Contingency Fund	300	168
Care of Grounds	350	.....
Court House Supplies	2,000	1,713
Equipment Repairs	500	234
Insurance	2,200	1,427
Building Repairs	13,000	13,000
New Equipment	500	92
Building Improvements	1,500	.....
Totals	$ 44,600	$ 36,282
Superior Court		
Salaries — Superior Court	$ 75,000	$ 79,100
Outside Services	500	410
Printing and Binding	6,500	941
Supplies	5,406	5,406
Jury Payrolls	35,000	31,717
State vs. Payroll	4,253	4,253
Referees and Masters	9,000	7,352
Court Stenographers Fees	27,399	27,399
Contingencies	1,676	.....
Communications	3,305	3,873

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Travel	559	961
Clerks' Retirement Plan	1,000	791
Equipment Repairs	525	525
Insurance	800	800
New Equipment	7,000	1,238
Totals	$177,923	$164,766
Public Welfare		
Salaries — Public Welfare	$ 21,564	$ 21,202
Printing and Binding	200	64
Supplies	400	155
Donated Foods	7,000	8,213
Food Stamp Program	6,000	1,518
Welfare Direct Aid	33,000	19,841
Old Age Assistance	14,000	6,895
Old Age Assistance — APTD	14,000	12,007
Outside Intermediate Nursing Home Care	146,000	158,526
Care and Board of Children	118,000	122,712
Communications	1,676	1,590
Travel	2,300	2,524
Equipment Repairs	275	221
Totals	$364,415	$355,468
Soldiers Aid		
Soldiers Aid	$ 13,000	$ 15,122
Other		
County Extension Service	$ 52,000	$ 52,000
Interest Paid — Tax Anticipation Notes	42,500	40,309
Interest Paid — Long-Term Notes	49,000	49,000
Concord Mental Health	37,500	37,500
Visiting Nurse Association	12,000	.....
Sewerage Treatment Facilities	200,000	200,000
Bond Principal Payments	80,000	104,114

	1974	
	Budget	Actual
Eagle Convalescant Home	29,000	29,000
Reserve Fund for New Fiscal Year	250,000	250,000
Totals	$752,000	$761,923

NURSING HOME
STATEMENT OF INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Income	$1,126,599	$1,111,760
Operating Expenses		
Administrative	172,288	159,313
Property and Related Expenses	39,300	38,917
Forty-Eight Bed Addition	305	.....
Dietary	255,488	247,892
Nursing Services	645,084	632,878
Maintenance	174,560	168,712
Laundry and Linen	60,984	59,948
Housekeeping	66,016	65,392
Physicians and Drugs	49,650	48,287
Special Services	35,274	36,816
Total Operating Expenses	1,498,949	1,458,155
Deficit from Operations	372,350	346,395
Jail — Excess of Expenses over Income	126,725	115,342
Farm — Net Loss	16,228	15,925
Total Deficit	$ 515,303	$ 477,662

NURSING HOME
DETAILS OF INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Income		
Social Security	$ 224,000	$ 232,999
Welfare	720,000	712,282

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Private	60,000	45,962
Medicine	35,000	30,091
Miscellaneous	1,500	4,375
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds Used	61,499	61,499
Rooms to Employees	4,200	4,200
Meals to Employees	20,400	20,352
Totals	$1,126,599	$1,111,760

NURSING HOME
DETAILS OF OPERATING EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

Administrative	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Administration	$ 12,940	$ 12,940
Assistant Administrator	12,230	12,230
Secretary	5,958	5,948
Receptionist	5,619	5,169
Account Clerk	6,518	5,958
Patients' Assistant	3,100	3,100
Social Security Taxes	50,951	52,223
Employees' Group Insurance	30,525	26,512
Employees' Retirement	20,000	17,451
Professional Services	805	458
Office Supplies	4,000	3,321
Postage	850	692
Advertising and Public Relations	150	144
Communications	4,200	4,148
Licenses, Dues and Publications	250	212
Travel, Auto	1,500	1,494
Conference and Education	1,200	1,040

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Insurance	11,492	6,273
Totals	$172,288	$159,313
Property and Related Expenses		
Interest — Long-Term Debt	$ 12,938	$ 12,938
Interest — Short-Term Debt	2,462	2,191
Building Improvements	20,900	20,788
New Equipment	3,000	3,000
Totals	$ 39,300	$ 38,917
Forty-Eight Bed Addition		
Forty-Eight Bed Addition	$ 305	$ .....
Dietary		
Supervisor	$ 7,934	$ 7,934
Cooks	22,006	22,004
Dishwasher	4,977	4,518
Dining Room Help	35,320	35,247
Residents	1,200	1,035
Supplies and Other Expenses	22,680	23,762
Purchased Food	162,000	153,773
Food Produced by Farm	23,000	20,736
New Equipment	1,000	.....
Totals	280,117	269,009
Less: Meals to Jail and House of Correction	24,629	21,117
Totals	$255,488	$247,892
Nursing Services		
Director of Nurses	$ 10,094	$ 10,094
Registered Nurses	139,295	136,735

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Licensed Practical Nurses	54,124	52,845
Aides and Orderlies	412,726	411,361
Nursing Office Staff	10,425	8,318
Residents	720	440
Supplies and Other Expenses	13,950	10,470
New Equipment	3,750	2,615
Totals	$645,084	$632,878
Maintenance		
Maintenance Engineer	$ 12,293	$ 12,293
Assistant Engineer	8,833	8,833
Maintenance Workers	30,792	28,725
Night Watchman	6,767	6,629
Residents	125	110
Supplies	1,150	1,101
Electricity	23,500	21,087
Gas	6,000	5,918
Fuel	67,000	66,063
Care of Grounds	1,500	1,480
Care of Equipment	15,600	16,138
Building Repairs	7,400	6,735
Totals	180,960	175,112
Less: Allocations to Farm and Jail	6,400	6,400
Totals	$174,560	$168,712
Laundry and Linen		
Supervisor	$ 7,007	$ 6,543
Laundry Help	12,060	11,911
Linen Help	18,188	18,184
Residents	900	690
Supplies	4,800	4,783
Purchased Linens	9,000	8,925

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
New Equipment	9,029	8,912
Totals	$ 60,984	$ 59,948
Housekeeping		
Executive Housekeeper	$ 7,963	$ 7,963
Housekeepers	48,213	48,139
Residents	400	210
Purchased Services	340	225
Supplies and Other Expenses	8,500	8,270
New Equipment	600	585
Totals	$ 66,016	$ 65,392
Physicians and Drugs		
Chief of Staff	$ 8,600	$ 8,600
Other Physicians	2,400	2,400
Physicals	750	719
Pharmacist Consultant	6,750	6,750
Purchased Drugs	30,250	29,569
Supplies and Other Expenses	900	249
Totals	$ 49,650	$ 48,287
Special Services		
C.O.T.A.	$ 6,655	$ 6,655
Recreational Workers	5,231	5,228
Beautician	5,361	5,358
Barbers	5,142	5,052
Religious Consultants	460	450
Supplies	575	572
Services for Residents	11,700	13,353
New Equipment	150	148
Totals	$ 35,274	$ 36,816

JAIL
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Jail Income		
Income	$ 1,000	$ 3,815
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds Allocated	61,500	61,500
Total Income	62,500	65,315
Operating Expenses		
Jailor	10,416	10,416
Guards	109,210	107,243
S.A.D. Project	622	622
Social Security Taxes	6,950	6,950
Employees' Group Insurance	3,100	2,467
Employees' Retirement	2,800	2,654
Supplies and Other Expenses	10,327	10,271
Meals for Inmates	24,629	21,117
Board for Inmates	1,163	890
Medical Services for Inmates	3,000	984
Occupancy, Heat and Lights	6,000	6,000
Communications	650	622
Travel	208	208
Maintenance and Repairs	3,033	3,096
Insurance	5,142	5,142
Major Repairs	1,975	1,975
Total Operating Expenses	189,225	180,657

FARM
STATEMENT OF INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

	1974	
Income	Budget	Actual
Sale of Milk	$ 26,000	$ 31,703
Sale of Livestock	1,500	1,479
Sale of Produce	500	2,436
Sale of Food to Dietary	30,000	20,736
Miscellaneous Farm Income	350	453
Total Farm Income	58,350	56,807
Operating Expenses		
Assistant Superintendent	9,430	9,078
Assistant Farmer	6,843	6,829
Herdsman	5,031	5,031
Farmhand	5,056	5,053
Social Security Taxes	1,498	1,520
Employees' Group Insurance	915	852
Employees' Retirement	900	778
Veterinary Fees	1,025	815
Breeding, Testing, Registration	914	914
Supplies and Other Expenses	1,400	1,384
Occupancy, Heat and Lights	400	400
Gas, Oil and Grease	2,225	2,216
Seed, Fertilizer and Spray	2,400	1,881
Feed	11,950	11,687
Bedding	375	330
Repairs to Buildings	850	810
Repairs to Equipment	2,306	2,259
Taxes	7,700	7,576
Rent	412	412
Insurance	3,148	3,107
Roof Repairs	4,200	4,200

	1974	
	Budget	Actual
New Equipment	5,600	5,600
Total Operating Expenses	74,578	72,732

EAGLE CONVALESCENT HOME
DETAILS OF EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1974
AND ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

	1974	
Administration	Budget	Actual
Administrator	$ 600	$ 600
Assistant Administrator	4,500	4,327
Secretary	2,750	1,638
Account Clerk	3,250	3,558
Patients' Assistant	1,975	2,209
Social Security Taxes	12,000	11,773
Employees' Group Insurance	8,900	2,212
Office Supplies	425	436
Postage	50	2
Advertising and Public Relations	350	320
Communications	750	956
Travel — Auto	100	.....
Conference and Education	250	85
Insurance	4,904	4,868
Totals	$ 40,804	$ 32,984
Property and Related Expenses		
Rent	$ 33,000	$ 33,000
Building Improvements	2,000	6,098
New Equipment	.....	768
Totals	$ 35,000	$ 39,866
Dietary		
Dietary Supervisor	$ 832	$ 808
Cooks	8,097	6,526
Dishwasher	2,351	3,265
Dining Room Help	15,000	18,373
Supplies and Other Expenses	3,500	3,092

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Food — Purchases	35,000	38,781
Totals	$ 64,780	$ 70,845
Nursing Services		
Director of Nurses	$ 4,420	$ 4,250
Registered Nurses	20,020	32,738
Licensed Practical Nurses	22,460	13,326
Aides and Orderlies	90,200	82,125
Supplies and Other Expenses	3,750	3,808
New Equipment	3,000	1,235
Totals	$143,850	$137,482
Plant Operations		
Maintenance Engineer	$ 4,810	$ 3,032
Electricity	3,600	3,240
Gas	400	356
Water	1,700	910
Sewerage	100	263
Fuel	7,000	7,969
Care of Grounds	.....	135
Care of Equipment	500	1,387
Building Repairs	3,600	1,334
Totals	$ 21,710	$ 18,626
Laundry and Linen		
Laundry Help	$ 10,000	$ 11,516
Supplies and Other Expenses	1,500	1,728
Linen Purchases	2,000	1,802
Totals	$ 13,500	$ 15,046

	1974 Budget	1974 Actual
Housekeeping		
Housekeepers	$ 12,500	$ 12,595
Supplies and Other Expenses	750	1,102
Linen Purchases	400	.....
Totals	$ 13,650	$ 13,697
Physicians		
Physicals	$ 100	$ 298
Rehabilitation and Recreational Services		
Recreational Employees	$ 2,600	$ 2,400
Supplies and Other Expenses	300	366
Totals	$ 2,900	$ 2,766

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

Balance, January 1, 1974		$ 2,714
Receipts		
1974 Appropriation — Merrimack County	$52,000	
Bal. of 1973 Appropriation — Merrimack County	7,000	
Other Income	6,684	
Total Receipts		65,684
Total Receipts and Balance		68,398
Expenditures		
Forestry Agent	13,927	
Agricultural Agent	13,565	
4H Youth Development Agent I	11,521	
Home Economist	10,785	
4H Youth Development Agent II	9,043	
Community Resource Development Agent	2,312	
Dairy Agent	1,823	
Area Agent — Poultry Management	1,331	
Total Expenditures		64,307
Balance, December 31, 1974 — Checking Account — Concord National Bank		$ 4,091

CRIME COMMISSION PROGRAMS
DETAILS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

Area II Service			
Receipts			
State of New Hampshire		$ 13,977	
Disbursements			
Salaries	$ 10,397		
Social Security	608		
Travel	337		
Telephone	326		
Office Supplies	467		
Rent	1,050		
Regional Council	251		
Publications	41		
Total Expenses		13,477	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements Deposited in Checking Account — Concord National Bank			500
Construction and Carpentry Skills Training Program for State and County Corrections			
Receipts			
State of New Hampshire	15,151		
C.A.P. Matching Funds	1,445		
Total Income		16,596	
Disbursements			
Salaries		16,167	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements Deposited in Checking Account — Concord National Bank			429

Communications Equipment — GCC		
Receipts (To be spent in fiscal 1975)		
State of New Hampshire	1,056	
County Matching Funds	56	
Total Receipts Deposited in Checking Account — Concord National Bank		1,112
Compressor — Sheriff		
Receipts (To be spent in fiscal 1975)		
State of New Hampshire	942	
County Matching Funds	50	
Total Receipts Deposited in Checking Account — Concord National Bank		992
Balance in Checking Account at December 31, 1974		$ 3,033

NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING FUND
DETAILS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

Receipts		
Proceeds of 4.90% 20 Year Public Improvement Bond Issue Premium	$1,000,000	
Premium	765	
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds	75	
Total Income		$1,000,840
Disbursements		
Contractors	726,391	
Architect	60,437	
Equipment	31,855	
Furnishings	27,499	
Alterations	10,081	
Landscaping	8,824	
Clerk of Works	7,580	
Expenses — Re: Bond Issue	5,505	
Steam — City Contract	2,000	
Insurance	2,021	
Interest, Net of that Earned	1,569	
Engineers	1,050	
Temporary Facilities	884	
Telephone Hookup	610	
Miscellaneous	314	
Total Expenses		886,620
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements, December 31, 1974*		$ 114,220

*Balance Consists of the Following:

Certificate of Deposit —	
Concord National Bank	$ 100,000
Checking Account —	
Concord National Bank	14,220
Total	$ 114,220

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND FUND BALANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

Available Funds, January 1, 1974			$108,030
Add: Revenue			
Entitlements — March 31, 1974		$ 43,249	
— June 30, 1974		43,252	
— September 30, 1974		43,465	
— December 31, 1974		43,465	
Total Entitlements		173,431	
Interest		4,193	
Total Revenue			177,624
Total Available Funds			285,654
Less: Expenditures			
Bond Principal Payments			
Administration Building	$ 50,000		
Forty-Eight Bed Addition	24,114	74,114	
Nursing Salaries — County Home		61,499	
Guard Salaries — Jail and House of Correction		61,500	
Public Notices		88	
Safe for Commissioners' Office —			
Transferred to General Fund	1,414		
Paid from Revenue Sharing Funds	550	1,964	
Check Signer for Commissioners' Office		465	
Total Expenditures			199,630
Unencumbered Fund Balance, Dec. 31, 1974			$ 86,024

FORTY-EIGHT BED ADDITION FUND
DETAILS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

Receipts		
Proceeds of 6.75%, 5 Year Long-Term Notes — Concord National Bank		$350,000
Disbursements		
Contractor	$250,131	
Equipment	6,813	
Furniture — Beds	6,008	
Supplies and Minor Equipment	2,818	
Insurance	357	
Miscellaneous	161	
Total Expenses		266,288
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements Dec. 31, 1974 Deposited in Checking Account — Concord National Bank		$ 83,712

DETAILS OF BOND AND NOTE INDEBTEDNESS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1974

Amount Required for Future Retirement of Debt	
Public Improvement Bonds	
New Administration Building ($50,000 to be Retired Each Year)	$ 950,000
County Nursing Home	330,000
Long-Term Notes	
Forty-Eight Bed Addition — County Nursing Home	325,886
	$1,605,886

Bonds and Notes Payable	
4.90% Public Improvement Bonds Payable	$ 950,000
3.75% Public Improvement Bonds Payable	330,000
6.75% Five-Year Notes Payable — Concord National Bank	325,886
	$1,605,886

The above is a detailed statement of the accounts of Merrimack County for the year 1974 as audited by John E. Rich & Company.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Foster, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE MERRIMACK COUNTY TREASURER

REGISTER OF DEEDS SUSPENSE ACCOUNT FOR INDEXING CONTRACT 1974

Balance on Hand January 1, 1974	
N.H.S.B. Book 192178	$ 3,750,00
Income	
Interest	137.31
	$ 3,887.31
Expenses	
Paid Balance on contract	3,750.00
Interest paid to General Fund	137.31
	$ 3,887.31

ACCOUNT CLOSED

COUNTY HOSPITAL 48 BED ADDITION 1974

Income, proceeds of notes at Concord National Bank		$350,000.00
Expenses		
Contractor	$250,131.20	
Miscellaneous	3,336.31	
Furniture	6,007.60	
Equipment	4,127.88	
Contingency	2,685.00	
	266,287.99	
Cash, part of CNB Check Account 001 970 5	83,712.01	
To balance	$350,000.00	

REVENUE SHARING FUND 1974

Balance January 1, 1974		$ 64,774.12
Income		
Federal Government		173,215.00
Interest		3,950.53
		$241,939.65
Expenses		
Equipment		2,439.51
Miscellaneous		76.88
County Hospital Nursing		61,499.00
County Correctional Facility		61,500.00
Principal payment Administration Bldg.		50,000.00
Principal payment 48 Bed addition at County Hospital		24,114.00
		$199,629.39
Cash on hand		
Concord Savings Bank 48025	$ 25,054.06	
Merrimack County Bank 62885	12,239.68	
Concord Federal Savings 4683	5,016.52	
		42,310.26
To balance		$241,939.65

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING FUND 1974

Balance January 1, 1974		$691,485.67
Income		
Interest received on reinvestment	42,366.23	
Federal Revenue Sharing	75.00	
		$733,926.90
Expenses		
Architects	9,000.00	
Furniture	27,425.51	
Alterations to ex. C H	10,036.00	
Concord Steam ex. C H	2,000.00	
Ad for landscaping	5.63	
Insurance	791.20	
Telephone equipment	610.00	
Moving, Commissioners	54.00	
Contractors	515,244.37	
Clerk of the Works	3,350.00	
Landscaping	8,824.00	
Interest received to County General Fund	42,366.23	
		$619,706.94
Balance on hand,		
Concord National Bank CD		100,000.00
Concord National Bank Part of Checking Acct. 001 970 5		14,219.96
To balance		$733,926.90

Robert A. Foster, Treasurer

December 31, 1974

RECEIPTS FROM CITIES AND TOWNS

Allenstown	$ 32,627.57
Andover	22,759.79
Boscawen	26,110.57
Bow	161,590.22
Bradford	21,013.41
Canterbury	21,737.51
Chichester	13,530.93
Concord	411,692.30
Danbury	13,445.74
Dunbarton	18,443.52
Epsom	23,995.03
Franklin	90,471.22
Henniker	40,110.04
Hill	12,196.29
Hooksett	86,552.50
Hopkinton	57,346.71
Loudon	23,285.12
Newbury	46,385.66
New London	95,809.75
Northfield	24,633.95
Pembroke	49,807.44
Pittsfield	31,108.35
Salisbury	11,770.34
Sutton	28,041.53
Warner	25,599.43
Webster	14,908.16
Wilmot	14,851.36
Total Received in 1974	$1,419,824.43

COUNTY AUDITORS' REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1974 (June 30, 1975)
Merrimack County

COUNTY TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand — January 1, 1974	$ 256,373.91	
Receipts — Year Ending Dec. 31, 1974	6,269,096.03	
Payments — Year Ending Dec. 31, 1974	$6,525,469.94	
	6,315,107.96	
Balance — December 31, 1974 as Per Cash Book (incl. petty cash) Franklin National Bank		$ 210,361.98
Balance in Bank of N. H. Bank as Per Statement of 12-31-74	$ 210,111.98	
Less: Outstanding Orders	83,857.13	
	$ 126,254.85	
Petty Cash, Registry of Deeds and County Home	250.00	
Reconciled Bank Balance — As of Dec. 31, 1974		$ 126,504.85

INDEBTEDNESS — DECEMBER 31, 1974

Outstanding Long Term Notes	$1,605,886.00
Bills Owed by County	$ 193,049.00

COUNTY TAXES UNCOLLECTED — DECEMBER 31, 1974

County Taxes Due from Towns and Cities	None

Robert D. Branch
Frederic T. Greenhalge
County Auditors

March 10, 1975

REPORT OF CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

Merrimack County in account with Henry Dowst, Jr., Clerk
(January Term, 1974 — January 1, 1974 through March 31, 1974)

Charge County

Allowance — Clerk and clerical hire			$20,853.06

Credit County

Entry fees		$3,175.00	
Fees collected by Clerk		1,129.26	
Transfers to Supreme Court		50.00	
Transcripts:			
18,650 Conn. Valley v N H	219.00		
16,854 Perreault v Perreault	195.00		
19,167 Royal Gardens v Concord	148.00		
		562.00	
Fines collected in State cases:			
1164 State v Bolduc	100.00		
1249 State v Robbins	100.00		
1816 State v Delaney	300.00		
1264 State v Rideout	500.00		
1820 State v Burnham	100.00		
1438 State v Conway	100.00		
1265 State v Mooney	100.00		
1695 State v Whittington	250.00		
1467 State v Corneau	100.00		
1771A State v Drew	100.00		
1333 State v Elkins	500.00		
1840 State v Beaupre	500.00		
		2,750.00	
Xerox copies		72.20	
Misc. cash received		4.93	
Rules of Court		20.00	

Clerk and clerical hire drawn	13,039.67	
		$20,803.06

April 9, 1974 Approved.

William F. Batchelder
Presiding Justice

Merrimack County in account with Henry Dowst, Jr., Clerk
(April Term, 1974 — April 1, 1974 through September 30, 1974)

Charge County

Allowance — Clerk and clerical hire	$43,103.00	
Miscellaneous cash paid out (bank charge)	2.00	
		$43,105.00

Credit County

Entry fees			$ 9,070.00	
Fees collected by Clerk			3,363.49	
Transfers to Supreme Court			150.00	
Transcripts:				
21,305	Thompson v. Cantin	51.00		
21,436	Timberlane v. N. H.	52.00		
19,390	Evangelou v. Evangelou	49.00		
1233-4	State v. Dunn	28.00		
			180.00	
Fines collected in State cases:				
1150A	State v Gauntt	50.00		
1152A	State v Gauntt	50.00		
1669A	State v Bradshaw	100.00		
1842	State v Dearborn	25.00		
755	State v Bassett	100.00		
1737	State v MacNeil	100.00		
1736	State v Gallant	100.00		
1735	State v Boudrot	100.00		

1292	State v Gignac	300.00		
1397	State v Ordway	100.00		
1694A	State v O'Neal	100.00		
1296A	State v Walker	100.00		
1949-0	State v Smith	100.00		
1484	State v Batchelder	250.00		
1289	State v Elliott	100.00		
			1,675.00	
Xerox copies			34.50	
Misc. cash received			20.74	
Rules of Court			50.00	
Bondsman's fee			200.00	
Clerk and clerical hire drawn			28,361.27	
				$43,105.00

November 7, 1974

William R. Johnson
Presiding Justice

Merrimack County in account with Henry Dowst, Jr., Clerk
(October Term, 1974 — October 1, 1974 through December 31, 1974)

Charge County

Allowance — Clerk and clerical hire				$18,542.97

Credit County

Entry fees			$4,270.00	
Fees collected by Clerk			1,349.40	
Transfers to Supreme Court			200.00	
Transcripts:				
18,375	Reen v Berton	122.00		
15,020	Bothwick v Labelle	651.00		
15,968	Hogan v Leary	200.25		
19,919	Frew v Dasch	200.25		

1594	State v Bowen	19.00		
19,390	Evangelou v Evangelou	157.35		
			1,349.85	
Fines collected in State cases:				
2207	State v Smith	50.00		
1482A	State v Royal	50.00		
1482B	State v Royal	50.00		
1834	State v Hamilton	300.00		
1290A	State v Wilkins	50.00		
1290B	State v Wilkins	50.00		
1202	State v Carmichael	100.00		
1687	State v Dargie	100.00		
1974A	State v Parker	150.00		
2213-4	State v Gordan	100.00		
1234	State v Dunn	1000.00		
2007	State v Hunt	100.00		
1919A	State v Jolin	100.00		
2265	State v Moorhouse	250.00		
			2,450.00	
Misc. cash received			8.80	
Rules of Court			30.00	
Clerk and clerical hire drawn			8,884.92	
				$18,542.97

January 17, 1975 Approved.

William R. Johnson
Presiding Justice

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

December 31, 1974

The following is a summary of the cases handled by the office of the County Attorney during the period January 1, 1974 through December 31, 1974.

FELONIES

Awaiting trial or under investigation January 1, 1974		247	
Received during the year		406	
			613
Disposed of during year:			
Guilty pleas	138		
Pled to lesser charge	37		
Not indicted	15		
Nol Prossed	58		
Handled by Attorney General's office	7		
Trials (Superior Court only)	17		
Not guilty by reason of insanity	9		
		281	
Awaiting trial or under investigation December 31, 1974		332	
			613
Reciprocal support actions	81		

MISDEMEANORS

Awaiting trial or under investigation January 1, 1974		218	
Received during the year		218	
			436

Disposed of during year:			
Guilty pleas	18		
Appeals withdrawn or not perfected	61		
Nol Prossed	37		
Trials (Superior Court only)	9		
Pled to lesser charge	11		
		136	
Awaiting trial or under investigation December 31, 1974		300	
			436

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Hampe
Merrimack County Attorney

REPORT OF THE MERRIMACK COUNTY SHERIFF

December 31, 1974

Example of cooperative effort: Inventory by Sheriff's Department and local police of recovered stolen property.

To the Citizens of Merrimack County and the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

The following services were performed by your Sheriff's Department during the year 1974:

CIVIL AND COURT DIVISION (Deputies Hoyt, Muzzey and Martin)

The department served over 4,200 civil writs, including petitions, libels, summons, subpoenas, and attachments. These services resulted in the following revenues (or savings) for the County:

Service Fees paid to the County	$38,961.07
Service Fees owed to the County (end of year)	2,440.00
Sub Total	41,401.92

Outstanding Executions (131 approx.)		
Fees due		1,900.00
Services processed for County (non reimbursable)		900.00
	Sub Total	2,800.00
	TOTAL	$44,201.92

The department provided Court Bailiffs for the Merrimack County Superior Court and the Merrimack County Probate Court.

CRIMINAL DIVISION (Deputies Denningham, Strickford and Thomas)

Capias Arrests: A capias arrest is a court ordered arrest for either violation of a court order or on an indictment. 182 such arrests were made in 1974. This compares with 140 arrests in 1973 for an increase of 30% and 75 arrests in 1971 for an increase of 143% since we have been a full time department.

Prisoner Transfers: This involves court ordered transfers of felons and juveniles to and from detention centers and court, also to and from detention centers and medical facilities. 689 such transfers were made in 1974. This compares with 542 transfers in 1973 for an increase of 27% and 431 transfers in 1971 for an increase of 60%.

Criminal Investigations: The Sheriff's Department conducts criminal investigations including fugitive cases when requested by other agencies, such as the Attorney General, the County Attorney, or a local Police Chief, or when department personnel observe an offense being committed. 202 such investigations were conducted in 1974 in 23 out of the 27 towns and cities, as well as out-of-county and out-of-state work. This compares with 108 investigations in 1973 for an increase of 87% and 60 investigations in 1971 for an increase of 236%.

Assists: In addition to the above investigations, the Sheriff's Department provided assistance to local departments, in the form of technical assistance at crime scenes, such as latent fingerprint work, photography, casting, preparation of court cases and prosecution, lecture and on the job training for police personnel, and the collection and dissemination of criminal intelligence information.

Public Relations: The Sheriff's Department provided public information in the form of lectures and talks to civic and youth groups on police related topics, such as drug abuse, crime prevention, and juvenile problems, and providing displays at public functions, such as the Hopkinton Fair.

Dispatch Center: The Merrimack County Dispatch Center serves the Sheriff's Department and the towns of Allenstown, Boscawen, Canterbury, Dunbarton, Northfield, Pittsfield, Salisbury and Webster plus two Federal Agencies. In addition, the center provides an emergency link for all towns in the County. In 1974, the center handled 37,049 telephone calls less Federal Agencies and made a total of 113,272 radio transmissions.

Sheriff's Mounted Posse: The Sheriff's Posse has continued its training in various aspects of rescue and law enforcement, including riot control. Deputies from the posse have assisted regular deputies and provided additional manpower for special events such as the Loudon Races, the Hopkinton Fair, and a sequestered jury during a murder trial. In addition, the posse marched in several parades throughout the County and State.

The following is an approximate percentage of time spent by the Sheriff and the Deputies in various categories in the year 1974.

Court Attendance	32%	Prisoner Transfer Guarding	10%
Civil Work	21%		

Public Relations	1%	Assists	3%
Capias	11%	Other (Admin./	
Investigations	13%	Training, etc.)	9%

The members of the Sheriff's Department wish to thank the County Commissioners and others who have supported its endeavors to provide the best service possible to the Citizens of the County. The Department will continue in this endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald D. Daniels, Jr.
Merrimack County Sheriff

REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Merrimack County Nursing Home and Hospital and Farm
Boscawen, N. H., December 31, 1974

Breaking ground for the 48-Bed addition to the Merrimack County Nursing Home are (left to right) Robert F. Lethbridge, Administrator, Nursing Home; Guy K. C. Wilson, Architect; Richard D. Hanson, Chairman, Space Committee; Peter J. Spaulding, Commissioner; Albert M. Ayotte, Chairman, Merrimack County Commissioners.

To the Merrimack County Commissioners:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I present to you the reports of the various department heads of the County Nursing Home.

It has been an exciting year, during which long range goals have been established and the plans made to reach these goals. During the early part of the year, a search was made for a satellite facility to take care of the immediate needs of the County residents. As spring approached, it became apparent that the County was going

to have to assume the responsibility of a large number of patients located in Concord. Meetings with the New Hampshire Department of Welfare proved successful and the County assumed the responsibility of the Eagle Convalescent Center in Concord on July 1.

During the same period of time, an architect was hired and a new building of 48 beds approved, with construction to begin during the middle of the summer. The contract for this new addition was awarded to North Branch Builders of Weare, N. H., and the first step of the County's plan for meeting the needs of the elderly became a reality.

The Space Study Committee interviewed many different architectural firms, hired three, and then pared this number to one as they prepared for the second step in their plans — building a major 200 bed addition to the County Nursing Home.

As the year closed, the 48 bed addition was ready for occupancy, and the major addition was on the drawing board.

It is impossible in the space provided here to thank all of the people who helped during the year. Special thanks must go to Mrs. Mary E. Jelley, R.N., Assistant Administrator, who assumed new responsibilities this year, as I had to spend many hours in conference with architects, suppliers, etc. Also to Dr. McLeod, Chief of Staff, for his continued excellent care of the patients. To the County Commissioners, the County Space Study Committee, the County Executive Committee, and the County Delegation for their confidence in approving both additions during the year and the Eagle project.

Most importantly, I would like to thank all the members of the staff of the County Nursing Homes for their many dedicated hours of service during the year. We continue to enjoy one of the finest reputations of any nursing home in New Hampshire.

Special recognition must be paid this year to Mr. Lester Tibbets, Assistant Superintendent, who retired in October after 17 years of County service. Mr. Tibbetts was honored at a retirement dinner, at which many of his friends spoke of their experiences while working with him. We thank Les for his years of service and wish him well during his retirement. Mr. Walter Lampron has been appointed Farm Manager and we wish him well as he undertakes this new responsibility.

It has been a challenging year but a very rewarding one as well.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Lethbridge,
Administrator

REPORT OF THE MERRIMACK COUNTY HOME AUXILIARY

December 31, 1974

The Auxiliary, comprised of thirty-three active members and ten contributing members, meets every Wednesday morning at the Home. This year we can account for about 2,300 hours in service work at and for the Home.

We visited with patients, and each month a birthday party was planned and presented by various groups from nearby towns. We made and distributed favors for special days, and made table decorations each month for the cafeteria. We also made and packaged about 2,000 cookies this year for the patients.

One of our members spent many hours during the spring and summer collecting and arranging small bouquets of garden and wild flowers for the hospital patients.

In October a bus trip was planned for some of the patients to enjoy the fall foliage.

The Christmas store is a special project to let patients purchase gifts for their families and friends at very little cost. Articles are donated by local merchants and organizations, as well as by our own group. We gift wrap all purchases if the patient so desires.

During the year several sales were held to raise funds for our treasury, to be used for the benefit of the patients. This year a pool table was purchased. Also the group paid for the transportation and tuning of a donated piano.

The Auxiliary helped with the Merrimack County Home Booth at the Hopkinton Fair in September. An afghan was raffled again this year. The proceeds of this raffle added greatly to our funds.

Thanks to all who have helped us as a group. Special thanks to Mr. Lethbridge, Mrs. Jelley, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Henderson, and the groups who have helped with the birthday parties and donated articles for the Christmas store.

During this new year and the years ahead, we hope to do much more as a group. It is a great satisfaction and pleasure to be able to be of service to the Merrimack County Home and its residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Edyth Clow, President

REPORT OF CHAPLAIN OF MERRIMACK COUNTY HOME

December 31, 1974

The following ministers conducted services during the year:

David Andrews, Canterbury Congregational
Hazel Bartlett, Bartlett Mission, Northfield
Faith Chandler, Tilton-Northfield Methodist

Will Conway, South Congregational, Concord
Bill Daniels, Concord Community Church
Roy Forrest, New Testament Baptist, Concord
C. Edgar Finertie, East Concord Congregational
Allen Goodwin, Penacook Methodist
Al Greene, Hill Union Church
John I. Johnson, West Concord Congregational
Barry Kwallek, Advent Christian, Concord
Paul Lyons, Chaplain
Capt. Andrew Nelson, Salvation Army, Concord
Oliver Northcott, United Church of Penacook
H. Franklin Parker, Retired, Pittsfield
James Quimby, Retired, Methodist, Hill Center
Bruce Schipul, Student Pastor
Mark Schipul, Chaplain and Pastor, Boscawen Congregational
Grif Vautier, First Baptist, Concord
Delbert Wise, Church of the Nazarene, Concord

As of July 1, Rev. Mark Schipul resigned as chaplain. Paul Lyons, Co-Pastor, Bartlett Mission in Northfield and former missionary in Latin America, assumed duties at the Home. Like his predecessor, Mr. Lyons encouraged visiting pastors to invite members of their congregations, particularly those with musical talents, to minister to residents attending services. So church choirs, trios, quartets, soloists on various instruments performed adequately to the apparent satisfaction of those attending.

On April 7 the combined choirs of the Boscawen Congregational Church presented a Palm Sunday Cantata in the cafeteria. Many residents and visitors enjoyed the presentation.

The staff of nurses and attendants were very cooperative in helping the sick and elderly to attend services and in preparation of communion. Mr. William Dube continues faithfully to play the organ and many expressed their appreciation of his talented rendition.

The chaplain reserved the first Sunday of each month to serve communion to residents, on request, including special services to those unable to leave their rooms. We are glad to report an increasing number requesting these services that are offered between 2:30 and 5:00 p.m. every first Sunday.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Sincerely,

Paul Lyons
Chaplain

CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

December 31, 1974

To Mr. Lethbridge:

In 1974 we were able to visit the Merrimack County Nursing Home nearly every week and to celebrate Mass every month for the first six months of the year. After that we lost the services of one of our priests but were still able to celebrate Mass and distribute Communion every other month, and anoint all patients at the same time.

Father Andre and myself are very happy to make these visits and will do so on a limited basis until we get more help.

With best wishes to you and your wonderful staff, I remain,

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. John E. Pitts
Pastor

REPORT OF PHYSICIAN

December 31, 1974

To the Merrimack County Commissioners:

The Merrimack County Nursing Home continues to be a busy and stimulating facility.

The type of patients being accepted by the Home are increasingly requiring more nursing care than those in previous years. This fact, plus new federal government regulations concerning patient records, demands considerably more time from the Medical Staff.

Remodeling of various areas have increased efficiency and improved working conditions.

My thanks to the Medical Staff, the Administrators, the Department Heads, and the entire staff for their hours of dedicated service.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Kenneth McLeod, M.D.
Chief of Staff

LAUNDRY REPORT

December 31, 1974

Many changes were made during the year to help make the Laundry and Linen Department more efficient and productive.

The old extractor and piping were taken out of the Laundry and replaced by a new folding area.

A new basket system for clean and dirty linen was put into effect with separate transportation of baskets at all times. All baskets in motion are required to be covered.

In August a new dryer was installed at the Laundry to help with the overload of drying.

New linen carts were purchased for use on the nursing floors. These carts are much more efficient on the floors.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Patterson
Laundry Supervisor

MERRIMACK COUNTY FARM REPORT

December 31, 1974

The spring of 1974 was wet and cold. Our gardens were planted about two weeks later than usual. We planted potatoes on the 30th of May, the latest we ever planted. Our fodder corn and sweet corn was also planted late.

We planned to start haying the middle of June, but were held up again with bad weather. We finally got our haying operation in full swing by the first of July, two weeks late to cut top quality hay. The weather turned very dry in mid-July, causing much damage to our gardens and fodder corn.

The first of August the construction crew started work on the new wing for the institution, which meant tearing down our fences and putting up a temporary fence, using just a small portion of one pasture. It also meant cutting grass every day with our flail chopper and hauling all the feed to the cows for the rest of the season.

We started to pick our early sweet corn the first of August. It did surprisingly well for the poor growing season. We picked daily for nearly a month for a total of 440 dozen ears. We also picked cucumbers, tomatoes

and summer squash daily so the institution would have a supply of fresh vegetables.

We got a new four wheel drive pickup truck in August for general farm use and snow removal.

The fodder corn was cut in September. The drought did considerable damage and cut our crop yield to 395 ton, 100 ton short from last year. We had a new silage blower this year. It proved to be a great time and labor saver in filling the silos.

This year we had an excellent potato crop. From five acres we dug 1,700 bushels; that gave us a surplus of 400 bushels. We sold them to help offset the cost of growing them.

We put our cattle in the barns for the winter the first of November. We had a total of 114 head. Of those, 40 are milk cows, 27 heifers under 2 years old, 10 beef calves under six months, and 37 steers over six months old. In the piggery we had 18 bred sows, 1 boar and 33 hogs for slaughter.

In 1974 we had a large demand for baby pigs. We got $30 a piece for them, the highest they ever sold for. We also had 60 hogs slaughtered for pork for the institution throughout the year.

Like all other farms, businesses, etc., we were hit hard by inflation in 1974. We saw gas, supplies, machinery, fertilizer, seeds, etc., all go up. These rising prices are hard to combat. The only solution I can see from this situation is to push to get top milk production from our dairy and run the farm as efficiently as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter R. Lampron
Farm Manager

REPORT OF THE CORRECTIONS SUPERINTENDENT

Merrimack County House of Correction and Jail

December 31, 1974

To the Merrimack County Commissioners:

Since I assumed the duties as Corrections Superintendent on January 1, 1974, I must say that this has been a most exciting and challenging year for myself and my staff in the fast growing field of Corrections.

This past year 676 inmates were processed through this institution in both the Jail and House of Correction, giving a population of approximately 36 inmates incarcerated per day. These figures represent charges from the most trivial offenses to the most serious crimes. In keeping with my policies of the past, inmates were worked to the advantage of the County on the farm crew and the Hospital's kitchen, housekeeping and laundry departments. 1974 saw more inmates on the daily Work Release Program, bringing income back into the County by charging the inmates board for each day while working in the community.

In September, we were fortunate in hiring a Rehabilitation Coordinator, Mr. Roderick H. O'Connor, who has worked closely with inmates in trying to cut down on recidivism. Mr. O'Connor's responsibility as a member of this staff is to find job placement, housing and other needs that an inmate might have when he is released from this institution in hopes that he will be a more responsible citizen in his community.

Through the Governor's Crime and Delinquency Commission we were able to send some Correction Officers to a 10-week course on "Correctional Guard Training" at St. Anselm's College. Through this same Commission, I was able to attend the Second Annual Jail Seminar in California for one week.

At this time I wish to thank the Board of Commissioners for their confidence in me. My thanks also for the assistance given to me by Mr. Robert Lethbridge, Administrator, and Mrs. Mary Jelley, Assistant Administrator, of the Merrimack County Nursing Home; to Dr. McLeod and the Medical Staff of the Nursing Home; and to all department heads in County government for their assistance this past year. To the unsung heroes in the County Correctional Department, "My Staff," who are the most dedicated people in this rapidly growing field of Corrections, my sincere thanks and gratitude.

Edmund A. Cox, Jr.
Corrections Superintendent

MERRIMACK COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND JAIL

CRIMES COMMITTED IN 1974

Type of Crime	Number
Arson	8
Assault	34
Burglary	70
Carrying weapon without license	3
Concealed weapon	1
Conspiracy	7
Contempt of court	64
Contributing to delinquency of minor	3
Criminal mischief	20
Criminal threatening	12
Default	9
Disorderly conduct	68
Drug offenses	58
Escapes from other institutions	7
False public fire alarm	3

False reports	10
Felon in possession of firearms	2
Fishing without license	2
Fugitive from justice	4
Held for U. S. Marshal	10
Incest	13
Intoxication	26
Issuing bad checks	11
Kidnapping	4
Littering	2
Motor vehicle violation	161
Murder First Degree	2
Possession of burglar tools	4
Possession of implements for escape	1
Possession of intoxicating liquor by minor	1
Possession of stolen property	7
Rape	8
Resisting arrest	4
Selling without license	1
Sexual assault	1
Tampering with witness	1
Theft	37
Violation of parole	6

Inmates	Number
No. of Inmates January 1, 1974	44
No. of Inmates admitted in 1974	632
No. of Inmates discharged in 1974	640
No. of Inmates December 31, 1974	36

MERRIMACK COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND JAIL

INMATES COMMITTED FROM VARIOUS COURTS

December 31, 1974

Court	Number
Cheshire Superior	1
Concord District	126
Franklin District	86
Henniker District	26
Hillsborough Superior	3
Hooksett District	19
Immigration	4
Merrimack Superior	86
New London District	17
Pittsfield Municipal	13
U. S. Marshal	10
Wolfeboro District	1
No. of other various law enforcement agencies committed from	18

REPORT OF THE CONCORD MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

December 31, 1974

To the Merrimack County Commissioners:

The Concord Mental Health Center during 1974 experienced a 32% increase in services delivered to residents of Merrimack County. A total of 12,678 individual therapy sessions were conducted with 1,483 clients who came from every town in the County. In addition, the Emergency Services responded to 943 calls, and organized group sessions were provided for 318 clients.

School consultation services were provided to 31 schools, and dealt with educational or emotional difficulties concerning 2,287 students. Youth workers had contacts with 1,156 teenagers, and Center personnel were involved with 113 juvenile court cases.

Behind these statistics and others which can be cited, there is a clear picture of a mental health agency growing to meet the needs of residents of the County through better and more diverse kinds of services. Besides providing contact through its own facilities and personnel, the Center is increasingly working with other providers of services in a common approach to mental health needs. It now works with the three local general hospitals, Senior Enrichment Services, Visiting Nurse Associations, Courts, Probation and Police Officers, and Divisions of State Government. Symbolic of the comprehensive and countywide nature of the Center's services, the name of the agency has been changed to Central New Hampshire Community Mental Health Services, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

Terje B. Reinertsen
Executive Director